



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held August 17, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisor Antonovich:

“For more than 40 years a private airpark has been located in Agua Dulce. The Agua Dulce Airpark was authorized in the late 1950s by a County permit which, due to its age, does not include the land-use controls typical of modern-day zoning approvals. Recently a new operator purchased the Agua Dulce Airpark. As a result, a series of construction projects and management changes is causing new and unforeseen impacts upon the surrounding community.

“For several months residents in the Agua Dulce community have voiced concerns about potentially adverse impacts associated with noise, traffic, storm-water run-off, and dust. Many residents believe that these impacts intrude upon the otherwise peaceful lifestyle associated with their relatively low-density, quiet, equestrian community. Of particular concern are the impacts associated with filming by the entertainment industry, which is permitted separately by the Entertainment Industry Development Corporation (EIDC).

“Investigations by County code enforcement staff have identified a series of violations of County permit conditions at the Agua Dulce Airpark (ADAP). As a result the County has issued several notices of violation to the operator of the Agua Dulce Airpark. As an additional precaution the Department of Regional Planning recently retained an outside monitor to inspect the Airpark on a regular basis and issues written reports concerning compliance with County conditions, codes, and procedures.

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“Given the changes occurring at the Agua Dulce Airpark that may endanger public health and safety of the community, the lack of adequate controls in the underlying permit, the pending notices of violation, and the steady chorus of concerns expressed by residents of Agua Dulce that the use of the Agua Dulce Airpark may constitute a nuisance, it is clearly time for County decision-makers to conduct a public hearing to review these matters and determine if additional conditions are warranted.”

Andrew G. Fried, President of the Agua Dulce Town Council and Doug Barnett addressed the Board.

After discussion, at the request of Supervisor Antonovich and on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Molina, unanimously carried (Supervisor Antonovich being absent), the Board took the following actions:

1. Directed the Director of Planning to take the steps necessary to conduct a modification/revocation hearing for the Agua Dulce Airpark;
2. Requested the Regional Planning Commission to:
  - a. Hold a noticed public hearing in or near the Agua Dulce community at the earliest date possible, to be conducted at a location and time convenient to Agua Dulce residents, with Regional Planning staff to consult on the details with representatives of the Agua Dulce Town Council and the Fifth Supervisorial District; and
  - b. Contact the Entertainment Industry Development Corporation to request a review of the impacts associated with film shoots at the Agua Dulce Airpark, and suggest potential corrective conditions that the Regional Planning Commission can consider during the modification/revocation hearing; and
3. Directed County Counsel and the Interim Director of Public Works to assist the Director of Planning in researching all permit/code compliance issues relative to the Agua Dulce Airpark, and in the preparation of a staff report for this hearing.

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